

Docket No.: 50212-227



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
: Confirmation Number: 1916  
Hideyuki IJIRI, et al. :  
: Group Art Unit: 2874  
Serial No.: 09/843,838 :  
: Examiner: John M. Hoffman  
Filed: April 30, 2001 :  
: For: METHODS OF MAKING PREFORM AND OPTICAL FIBER

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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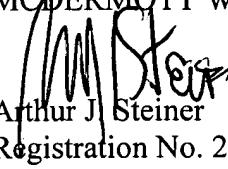
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated March 9, 2004, now due to expire June 9, 2004, be extended for one month(s) and set to expire on July 9, 2004.

Please charge the extension fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

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